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Barr to speak at Notre Dame

Libertarian Party's candidate will discuss failure of leadership in America

By KAITLYNN RIELY

Associate News Editor

Former Congressman Bob Barr, the libertarian Party's candidate for president, will speak at the University Friday, per the request of the Notre Dame College Libertarians.

The subject of his speech will be "America's failure of leadership in the 20th century," Barr said in an e-mail to The Observer through his cam-
paign's deputy press secretary.

Sophomore Ben Linsky, the co-
president of the Notre Dame College Libertarians, said the club decided last week to contact Barr to see if he would speak at Notre Dame. The Barr campaign told them the candidate would be in Illinois next Saturday, so on Monday the College Libertarians contacted the Notre Dame administra-
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Head coach and interim director of athletics and recre-
ation, Julie Schroeder-Biek said she got the idea to have an event like this from the American Volleyball Coaches Association. Volleyball coaches in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAC) dis-
cussed the idea at a meeting over the summer and Schroeder-Biek decided she wanted to bring it to Saint Mary's.

The entire varsity team ra-
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SMC team goes digging for cancer research

By BRIDGET MEADE

News Writer

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Haiti group calls for student action, awareness

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY

News Writer

Haiti Working Group dis-
cussed the food shortages,
poverty, and political and
economic unrest in Haiti, call-
ing for action from Notre
dame students during a lec-
ture entitled "Why Haiti?" in Mckenna Hall Auditorium Tuesday evening.

"As Americans, as very
privileged people, we are
often ignorant to what is
going on in other parts of
the world or even the pover-
ty that surrounds us," Erin

Wash, a member of the class
council for 2009 said. The
discussion's goal was to raise awareness about Haiti in order to increase the suc-
cess the Class of 2009's
women's clothing drive for the
Haitian people, Wash said.

The discussion was led by Jean Marc Bissou, a Haitian
lawyer who earned his degree from Notre Dame, Fr. Tom Streit, a research assis-
tant professor in biological sciences who has done work in Haiti, and Brennan Bollman, a senior Biology
and Peace Studies major who spent seven weeks in
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INSIDE COLUMN

Bartman's 2nd chance

Editors Note: This is the first of a two-part series that will conclude with an extended segment when the Cubs clinch their first World Series title since 1908. Date: TBD.

It's that time of year again, Steve Bartman.

You know, that time of year when the Cubs are in the postseason, expectations are as high as in years past, and anyone who dares to question the legitimacy of those expectations is seen as a heretic. But this year's installment of the "Loose Lobes" appears ready to take on all comers: Dodgers, Phillips, Ampuh, Red Sox, billy goats, black cats and, yes, Bartman himself.

Makes sense, the Cubs' lollidriller who lost the battle with Bartman for the now-disin­tegrated faithful foul ball throw a professional baseball player who "toughens" his hands the way Aroldis Chapman reportedly does can lose that trade to a rebuked and goaded pitcher and even good-humored outfielders is both beyond me and beside the point, has exonerated Bartman.

The sensible members of Cubs Nation know that's the same, too. We have — and there's a reason for that — we have 1 — highly as someone who put a hole in a door dur­ing Game 7 of the 2003 NLCS, I no longer con­sider myself "sensible".

Just because people "forgive" (debat­able, that doesn't mean they forget. But if the Cubs do somehow win the title more de­batable), those Wrigleyville junkies might celebrate just long enough for mem­ories of you to finally fade.

Bartman, you can't let that happen.

So, Steve-O, consider this October your re­coming-out party. If you will, I have a few ideas for your future.
COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Group discusses survey questions

By JOHN TIERNEY
News Writer

The Council of Representatives (COR) discussed questions for the upcoming student census, which is designed to ensure that student government is addressing issues that students care about, at its meeting Tuesday.

"These results will definitely have a direct impact on how student government proceeds for the next couple of months," student body president Bob Reish said.

"We want to help the student government better represent students," Reish said. "Are our deals and our initiatives on track with the larger student body?"

The survey will be useful to provide proof of student interest in a particular issue when student government is talking to the administration.

"We'll use this as kind of like a support," Reish said.

In the COR review of the proposed census question, Reish encouraged council members to ask "Is that question going to help us in our initiatives?" Student body vice president Grant Schmidt said the questions were designed to be fair.

"In no way are we trying to get students to answer one way or the other," he said. "If we find out what we're doing is stuff people don't care about, we won't continue with it."

"Some of the committees will have secondary surveys based on these questions," Rodts said. "The committees have the opportunity to have another survey if they need more results based on these answers."

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COR also approved Adam Steinbach, a finance major from Knott Hall, as the Student Government Executive Controller for the 2008-2009 term.

Steinbach was originally in the running for the position last year, but he did not receive the appointment at that time. The position opened again recently, and Reish nominated Steinbach to fill the vacancy.

As controller, Steinbach will be responsible for the management of all student government and senate committee funds.

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Entrepreneurship club hosts speaker

Tom Suddes, founder of a company that assists non-profit groups, gives advice to students

By LIZ O’DONNELL
News Writer

The Entrepreneurship Society hosted a speech by Tom Suddes, who gave tips on how to become a successful entrepreneur Tuesday night.

"I'm challenging you to think big," he said. "You do what you need to do to be able to get stuff done."

Suddes, founder of the group For Impact, an organization which seeks to assist nonprofit groups change their approach to raising money, began his presentation by linking students to one another with a rope and encouraging the pairs to try to escape the tangled.

He let the students struggle for a few minutes and told them they needed to learn to think differently, just like entrepreneurs.

In addition to the first "test" of the night, Suddes had the students participate in four others that ranged from trying to find the simplest way possible to balance an egg to trying to interpret business plans sketched out on napkins.

"My goal tonight was to try and excite you, and get you thinking about the opportunities that exist in being an entrepreneur," he said.

Suddes has been involved in helping a plethora of non-profit groups, which were diverse in both interests as well as geographic location. In addition to founding For Impact, he has founded 18 other organizations. In 1996, he won Success Magazine's "Join Our Revolution" Entrepreneurial Poverty-Fighting contest, which had as its prize a 23-day worldwide trip to help 3rd World Micro Entrepreneurs.

The Suddes Group, also founded by Suddes, is partnered with For Impact, an organization that seeks to assist non-profit groups change their approach to raising money. The Suddes Group was created by Suddes as a way to help nonprofits, one at a time, make the transition to raising even greater amounts of money. Derived from this, For Impact was spawned in 2001 as a joint effort between Suddes and Nick Fellers to educate large quantities of people about their new strategy.

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Notre Dame students interested in starting a new club must submit a proposal by October 31, 2008. Details on proposal contents may be found on the SAO website:

sao.nd.edu/studentgroups/listing

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“1 knew it was a good cause, and I just really wanted to do it to be a success for our team and for Saint Mary’s,” junior team captain Lorra Siugyczynski said.
Słupczynski raised nearly $400 and 28 pledges from friends, family and faculty members.
The Noble Family Dining Hall is hosting a picnic near the soccer field in conjunction with the home soccer game at 4 p.m. and the festivities will be moved to Angela Athletic Facility at 7 p.m.
Pink will be the theme of the night with pink cotton candy, pink lemonade and pink desserts available inside, according to flyers posted around campus.
Fans are encouraged to help “pink out” the gym by wearing their own pink clothing or by purchasing pink shirts. The team has been selling in the Dining Hall for the last week.

Haiti
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papers with the basic facts about Haiti, a small country that shares an island with the Dominican Republic east of Cuba. It has a population of almost nine million and its official languages are French and Creole.
Bollman began the discussion by showing a film about food riots that have occurred in Haiti in the past few weeks. The movie showed people being forced to eat “cookies” made of dried mud, dirt, and water in order to sustain themselves.
In 2006 and 2007, the United Nations (UN) took an interest in the high rate of gangs and crime in Haiti and began a stabilization mission in the country. But aid is needed.
However, the UN was terrorizing citizens during these raids, she said. “They probably did need a security force to lend strength to the local police, but then on the other hand you had these poor civilians being terrorized,” she said.

Brennan Bollman
senior

The Haitian people are incredible, really friendly. They are very aware of their situation and their rights.”

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“I think that Notre Dame with so many ranges of talent, interest, and expertise, Notre Dame could perhaps offer Haiti some things, some ideas, some areas of expertise we have here on campus,” he said.

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3 killed by missile in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Security officials say a suspected U.S. missile strike has killed at least three people and wounded six in a Pakistani tribal region near the Afghan border.

Two officials said Wednesday the missiles struck a home just before midnight Tuesday near Mir Ali, which is a main town in North Wazirisitan.

The US, who commented on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to media, did not say how they knew the U.S. carried out the strike. It fol­lowed several similar attacks in recent months by U.S.-led forces targeting Al­Qaida-linked militants.

Pakistani military spokesman were not immediately available for comment.

Nobel literature head dismisses U.S.

SWEDEN — Bad news for American writers hoping for a Nobel Prize next year:
The chief of the Nobel literature committee, Horace Engdahl said there is no coincidence that most winners are European.

"Because of course there is powerful literature in all big cultures, but you can't get away from the fact that Europe still is the center of the literary world ... not the United States," he told The Associated Press in an exclusive interview Tuesday.

National News

NYC mayor seeks a third term

BLOOMBERG, N.Y. — Mayor Michael Bloomberg has decided to try to reverse the term-limits law he had long supported so he can seek a third term next year and help the city emerge from financial trouble.

Bloomberg, who has been briefed on the matter told The Associated Press on Tuesday. Bloomberg made the decision over the weekend and will announce it Thursday, according to the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the announcement hasn't been made. The person said the mayor has been wrestling with the decision for the past couple of months.

SanFran health plan upheld

The Supreme Court on Tuesday upheld a landmark universal health care program can continue to operate, after an appeals court ruled Tuesday that it does not violate federal law.

The unanimous ruling by a three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals overturned a lower court decision that the program, dubbed Healthy San Francisco, had placed an undue federal burden on struggling businesses.

Healthy San Francisco is the first plan in the country to offer universal coverage, and requires companies with at least 20 workers to provide health care or give part of each employee's hourly salary to the city as a fee to help offset the program's estimated $200 million cost.

Local News

Human skeleton auctioned

A human skeleton is going under the hammer at a major auction this month. It is a landmark auction because it is the first time that a human skeleton will be auctioned at Sothebys.

The skeleton, the skull in a black coffin draped with a spider web, was estimated to fetch $200 in a sale at Sothebys. Judith Richards' Auction Gallery sold the unique item to a Tipton resident who agreed to donate it to a forensics centre for research, said Anita Mattingly, fiancee of auctioneer Tim Richards.

Iraqi forces win more control, lose lives

BAGHDAD — The number of Iraqi security forces killed in September rose by nearly a third to 159 compared with the same period last year. Associated Press figures showed Tuesday that U.S. troop deaths for the same period fell by nearly 40 percent to 25.

Iraqi forces are a sign that U.S. military is increasingly relying on its allies, including Iraqi security forces, to take the lead in operations so they can assume responsibility for their own security and let the Americans eventually withdraw.

Bernard Bownes of the Service Employees International Union holds a sign while taking part in a march down Broad Street in Columbus, Ohio, on Tuesday.

Presidential voting underway in Ohio

Voters begin casting ballots in pivotal state that could determine the election

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — In the state that may again determine the presidency, voting started Tuesday in a race that many consider the most important in decades.

Both candidates visit often while spending millions of dollars flooding TV and radio with advertisements, mailboxes with literature and even voicemail with automated phone calls to get supporters to the polls, particularly during the one-week window in which people can register and vote in one swoop. Early participation appeared strong, official said:

President Bush won in 2004 that he could lose Ohio and still reach the 270 electoral votes he would need if he carries all the states except Ohio. The president's vote could be the presidential vote.

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The run is also meant to create a “unified front” of the entire ROTC group, Jackson said.

“We ran in our respective units. Air force was at the front. Army was in the middle and Navy was at the end,” senior Army cadet Stephen Lacovo, but the groups had time to interact before, after the event, and while it was being planned.

“We definitely all talked. We introduced ourselves there and kind of chatted during our run,” Blomstrom said.

This year’s run was the more vigorous than any they have participated in.

“This year was actually better than the past years because the speed at which we ran was more upbeat so it seemed like people wanted to be out there,” lacovo said.

But lacovo added, “It was enjoyable as much as running can be enjoyable.”

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founded by the Church.”

It wasn’t until the 20th century that the separation of hospitals and religion arose, he said. At this time, hospitals became increasingly based on the scientific and the spiritual needs of patients were ignored.

“What’s really new is that we have a nursing profession that is not part of a religious order that is caring for the sick,” Koenig said. “Even many of the physicians, at least in this country in the early colonies, were ministers.”

In a Harvard University study done on hospitalized cancer patients, Koenig said that 80 percent of these patients said their spiritual needs were not being met.

“We are in a health care profession that is focused on the technological that is not addressing the spiritual issues in patients care,” Koenig said.

Koenig said many patients turn to spirituality and religion to deal with the fear, uncertainty and loss of control that accompanies being hospitalized.

“It’s not surprising there is much depression in the medical setting,” he said. “If you look at rates of depression in hospitalized patients, it’s close to 50 percent.”

In a study done at Duke Hospital, 40.1 percent of patients said they used religion the most among ways they cope. Koenig presented material from multiple studies supporting his claim that the spiritual and religious needs of patients had a direct impact on their physical and mental health.

“When you have low religious attendance you have low levels of well-being,” he said. “As you get higher your well-being goes up with your religious attendance.”

Koenig said patients with higher religiosity recovered about 30 percent faster than those with lower religiosity.

Before the year 2000, there were 724 quantitative studies done in regards to a patient’s religious involvement and mental health, Koenig said.

“Of those 724 nearly 500 showed that a religious person has better mental health — significantly better mental health — regardless of what domain you’re looking at,” he said.

Koenig stressed that given the evidence spirituality and religion play in a patient’s mental and physical health, hospitals need to be doing more to meet the needs of their patients.

“Many patients are religious and would like it addressed in their health care,” he said.

This doesn’t mean all patients, but a good two-thirds of patients would like their religious or spiritual needs addressed as part of their health care.

To counter the lack of religious and spiritual needs being met by hospitals today, Koenig recommended that all religious and spiritual needs be addressed as part of their health care.

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**IN BRIEF**

**Bailout stall causes global volatility**

LONDON — Volatile world stock markets showed mixed reactions Tuesday to U.S. lawmakers’ rejection of a $700 billion economic rescue plan, while hopes emerged President Bush would successfully push for a package to be reconsidered.

Asian stocks fell but some finished above their lows of the day and European stocks ended mostly higher, recovering from early declines as hopes emerged President Bush would successful push for a package to be reconsidered.

Latin American stocks, meanwhile, rebounded in tandem with a recovery on Wall Street.

Britain’s benchmark stock index, the FTSE 100, closed up 1.7 percent after falling by as much as 3 percent earlier in the day. Germany’s benchmark DAX 30 index climbed 2.2 percent, while the Paris CAC-40 ended up 2 percent.

Russia’s regulator, meanwhile, was forced to halt regular trading for two hours in its two major markets on Tuesday morning after stocks plunged in the opening minute of trading. But shares recovered and closed up for the day.

In Ireland, the volatility was massively upward, as the government guaranteed all the deposits and borrowings — worth around 500 billion euros ($717 billion) — of six of the country’s major lenders. Ireland’s NFI Index of financial shares surged by as much as 25 percent on the back of the guarantee, before settling to a rise of 7.9 percent.

**Consumer confidence up in Sept.**

WASHINGTON — A private research group says Americans’ confidence in the economy unexpectedly improved in September.

The reading still hovers near an historic 16-year low and does not fully reflect the financial industry. Mortgage rates reflect the effects of the recent turmoil in the financial industry. Mortgage rates have been on a roller coaster, and the confidence of homebuyers and sellers has surely been eroded by the record 778-point drop in the Dow Jones industrial average Monday and the government’s failed $700 billion Wall Street bailout.

**Bailout sought with better safety deposit**

Senate leaders attempted to rescue a $700 billion Wall Street rescue plan.

Included in the Senate’s $700 billion Wall Street rescue plan was an unspecified amount. That authority to raise the limit by an unspecified amount. That could help ease a crisis of confidence in the banking system, as well as encourage banks to begin more lending.

**Home prices tumble 16 percent**

NEW YORK — A closely watched index released Tuesday showed home prices tumbling by the sharpest annual rate ever in July, even by 1.9 percent, and though the monthly rate of decline is slowing, there is no turn around in sight.

The Standard & Poor’s/Case-Shiller 20-city housing index fell a record 16.3 percent on a year-over-year basis in July, the largest drop since its inception in 2000. The composite index plunged 15.5 percent, its biggest decline in 21-year history.

Prices in the 20-city index have plummeted nearly 20 percent since peaking in July 2005. That is more than 21 percent since its peak in June 2006.

Not only the Case-Shiller 20-city index saw annual price gains in July — for the fourth straight month. However, the pace of monthly declines is slowing, a possible silver lining.

Between May and July, for example, home prices fell at a cumulative rate of 2.2 percent — less than half the cumulative rate experienced between February and April.

But there’s no evidence of a bottom,” said David M. Blitzer, chairman of the index committee at S&P.

Las Vegas prices plunged the most at nearly 30 percent, with Phoenix dipping 29 percent and Miami, 28 percent. Prices in the seven cities in the Sunbelt all fell between 20 percent and 30 percent from a year ago.

Only seven cities showed positive or flat returns from June to July, down from nine that showed month-over-month gains in June. Atlanta, Boston, Denver and Minneapolis all posted positive returns for three months or more.

Though the Case-Shiller is a widely watched gauge of market conditions, the index lags other key housing indicators.

August data on new and existing home prices and sales showed the real estate recession still in full swing.

Last week, the National Association of Realtors said the median sales price of an existing home fell 9.5 percent to $203,100 last month, the largest annual price decline on records dating to 1999. The median home price of a new home fell 5.5 percent to $221,900 in August, the Commerce Department also said last week.

The Case-Shiller numbers have yet to reflect the effects of the recent turmoil in the financial industry. Mortgage rates have been on a roller coaster, and the confidence of homebuyers and sellers has surely been eroded by the record 778-point drop in the Dow Jones industrial average Monday and the government’s failed $700 billion Wall Street bailout.
Attended to a report of abuse at the home months before the child died, attorney Tommy Wells, a former social worker. Bankruptcy might not be automatically kept a person from adopting, but it should be considered, he said.

Calvert County deputies made the gruesome discovery of the frozen remains Saturday in Lusby, about 50 miles southeast of Washington. Bowman has been charged with child abuse charges related to the surviving daughter's death.

After adopting the three "special needs" children — a broad category that includes any child over age 5 — Bowman received federal foster care payments of $2,400 from a federal program for adoptive parents, D.C. Acting Attorney General Peter Nickles said. He said Bowman apparently was being paid even after the children had died.

Before Bowman was allowed to adopt, she was cleared by the FBI and police and passed a background check, which includes a home study, officials said. Bowman worked as an appointment scheduler at a surgery center in northeast D.C. a couple times, the last time in 2002, and had a stable home, her health, education, all of those things checked out," city government spokesman Mufarraf Husbon said.

Bowman’s background was checked by a contractor, the Baltimore-based Board of Child Care of the United Methodist Church. The organization’s president did not immediately return calls seeking comment Tuesday.

Unfortunately, many social services agencies have probationary periods, during which workers can keep a job but the adoptions are final, said Wexler. However, that might be questionable, he said. The ship’s operator is Tomex Solutions, based in the port of Odessa. A Russian-based shipping and cargo agency linked to al-Qaida was the highest bidder in the auction.

U.S. officials said 40-50 pirates were involved, but only the captain was on the ship itself.

A local news station reported that a pirate official cited an unconfirmed report that three of the pirates were killed Monday night in a dispute over whether to surrender. Speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk on the record, a U.S. official in Washington told The Associated Press by satellite telephone. "There has been no contact."

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U.S. envoy to offer arms compromise

Associated Press

SEOUL — The chief U.S. nuclear negotiator with North Korea will propose a face-saving compromise to the isolated communist nation to try to salvage the talks, U.S. officials said Tuesday.

Envoy Christopher Hill said his goal was to persuade North Korean Vice Foreign Minister Kim Kye Gwan to agree to Washington's demand for a verification system to account for the North's nuclear facilities.

"We are in a very difficult, very tough phase of negotiations," Hill told reporters Tuesday night after meeting with his South Korean counterpart, Kim Soo, to discuss ways to persuade the North to return to the disarmament process.

In Washington, a senior U.S. official said the U.S. is continuing a new face-saving proposal that would have North Korea remove it from a list of state sponsors of terrorism. It recently reveresed the process of dismantling its nuclear facilities.

"The North would then provisionally remove North Korea from the list until it signs up to the verification measures that would be imposed on it," the U.S. official said.

U.S. officials said they were not sure North Korea would agree to the idea and if they do, whether Washington would accept that the regime would begin dismantling its nuclear arsenal.

Hill's trip to the capital, Pyongyang, comes amid reports that autocratic North Korean leader Kim Jong Il suffered a stroke in August, prompting concern that his prolonged illness could destabilize the Korean peninsula.

North Korea denies that Kim, 66, is ill.

Kim's disappearance from the public eye coincided with an absence from recent nuclear summits, including the 2007 nuclear summit painstakingly negotiated among six countries — the two Koreas, the U.S., China, Russia and Japan.

North Korea alleged the world was trying to restrict its nuclear device and a series of missiles, including one capable of reaching as far as Alaska. It then agreed to dismantle its nuclear program in exchange for energy aid and other concessions.

The regime began disabling its nuclear processing plant in Yongbyon in November, and blew up a cooling tower in June in a dramatic display of its determina­tion to carry out the process.

But such steps came after convincing the second phase of the three-part process, Pyongyang abruptly reversed course in August and stopped disabling the plant.

After confirming it had begun restoring the nuclear reprocessing plant and testing an engine, the regime last week ordered U.S. nuclear inspectors to leave the country and said it planned to restart the plant.

Experts say it could be up and running within months.

"What they have been doing obviously goes counter to the triteness of what we're trying to accomplish because all of the dis­ablement — shutdown and dis­armament — was for the purpose of normalization of its nuclear program," Hill said.

At issue is Washington's request that the North agree to a verification system to account for its nuclear facilities in exchange for energy aid and other concessions.

"The North will propose a face-saving proposal that is different from what we have proposed," Hill said. "It won't remove North Korea from the list of terrorism sponsors. That is an idea and if they do, whether North Korea will agree to it remains to be seen."
As I turned 21 this weekend, having spent nearly a week in a new country hoisting of the much toasted younger drinking age, I took time to reflect on how much I’ve had to be sitting at South Bend, enjoying a tasty and legal Misdudie, as it’s been about three since I first drank on the U.S., and, though Guiness tastes much better now than it did then, drinking it in public’s become so passé, and yet my current drinking habits are...

I’ve lost you. You’re thinking, “Um, my best friend for 10 years, cousin, significant other/favorite/handwreasure just got arrested two weeks ago. Isn’t it a little too soon to be hitting us over the head with this?”

Or, “Oh hi. Someone’s seriously bringing up drinking again? Can we please read about a new controversy for once?”

Or, “Mmm, Mudslides.”

Or, else, hearing witnessed that first sentence, you’re still in a state of traumatic shock and can do no more than vaguely wonder where you can find the number for Georgia Protection Services.

In short, bear with me a little while before you turn the page. Yes, you’re about to read yet another article on alcohol. But I want you to grab a pen and not only read, but also think about what you’re about to read. Yes, you’re about to read something that I am conscientious in my desire to question before beginning. I like, “What?” And “Where? With whom? How?” And “Why?” And, as someone who have earned the right to sing that hymn, those of The Observer.

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"Open letter' out of place

John Griel ("An open letter to the ND football team," Sept. 26) uses his views on drinking to argue that Notre Dame is the only school that "really think Notre Dame is the only school that can make its statement," whether it be against drinking or against other activities which he feels are unhealthy. Your argument is based on the fact that Notre Dame is the only school with football players that drink.

Your argument is factually incorrect. You claim that since drinking takes away from their being in peak physical condition, it is the fault of the players. Are you saying they should be condemned for every action that compromises their fitness? Should they be held accountable for every action -- from not getting proper sleep during the week to eating Taco Bell? How about not blotting the grease off their pizza?

Finally, I would like to comment on your reference to the Shirt. Yes, he is wearing the number 12 because we are going for our 12th national title. However, there is a bigger reason why me and the rest of the student body don a shirt with the number 12 on it. It is because we are the 12th man on the football team. Let's start acting like it.

Sean Penino
Sophomore
Foley Hall
Sept. 29

UNIONS NECESSARY ON-CAMPUS

We will be found this Friday, Oct. 3, on South Quad in front of O'Shaughnessy Hall from 3-6 p.m. playing a match under the official Intercollegiate Quidditch Association rules, or as close to them as we can get and still have fun with the number of people who show up. Players will be meeting at the flagpole to form teams. For more information, please search Facebook groups for "ND Quidditch" or "Intercollegiate Quidditch Association."

Elizabeth Ann Dillon
junior
Ryan-Phillips Hall
Sept. 29
"Edges" tests PEMCo.'s limits

By MICHELLE FORDICE
Assistant Scene Editor

"Edges" is a show made up of snapshots. There is no enveloping plot, just miniature stories found in each song. They are linked by a loose theme, found in the opening and closing songs, of the fearful prospect of what you might lose on the way to discovering who you are; the cast sings, "Do I really want to see? Do I really want to mess it up to know?" There are admittedly rough spots in the acting, directing and score, but for the most part the actors make you want to hear what their characters have to say, and the show is without a doubt an enjoyable performance.

The show revels in simplicity. The music, mostly Broadway-style pop with a jazz edge, is all vocal and piano, no orchestra or band. The lyrics are often quirky and light. There is no substantial set. All this gives the show a conversational quality; the characters are supposed to be talking to the audience more than performing for them.

The show, like all of the Pasquerilla East Musical Company's productions, is produced, directed, and performed by students. It is a four man show, featuring Kelly Hunt, Michael Clark, Brian Davenport and Molly Lamping. It is directed by Lindsay Schanzer, assisted by Musical Director Nicholas Shaneyfelt.

The show works best in its irreverent moments. "In Short," excellently performed by Davenport, takes every song longing over a lost love and turns them on their head. The character may be pining, but that doesn't keep him from expressing what we are all really thinking in that awkward break up situation: "I hope you die." "I'll Love You," might have been saccharine, but Lamping and Clark play with the cute/sy lyrics in a way that makes them endearing instead, as they depict a couple tiptoeing their way around the dreaded L-word. (The bars of "If I Loved You" from Carousel in the introduction to the song were a smart touch by the composer as well.) "Caitlyn and Haley," is a funny and meaningful take on how two sisters feel as they slowly grow apart. Haley sings, "Caitlyn is bad now," while Caitlyn responds, "Haley is a baby," but they both want their sister back. Hunt and Lamping capture the dynamic between an older and younger sister beautifully. "Be My Friend," performed by the entire cast, captures the ironic and addictive nature of The Facebook.

There are also some successful moments among the more thoughtful songs. "I Once Knew," performed by Clark, takes some time to build, but eventually blossoms into a touching cry of a son to his mother, as he asks, "So hold on, hold fast, hold tighter for me." Lamping captures the vulnerability of "Perfect" as she depicts a girl trying to convince herself that she can be perfect, if only she doesn't have to be lonely, and carries "I've Gotta Run," which is a complete contrast to "Perfect" in its obsession with independence, with strength. Hunt captures the melancholy and confusion of "Lying There," which debates the differences between passion and comfort, love and wanting.

Some songs were more forgettable. Most of the audience will be able to relate to, "Boy With Dreams," but perhaps its theme of a college student with dreams that will be fulfilled soon is a bit too familiar. "Ready To Be Loved," is catchy but not novel. The lyrics of "Part of Painting," are interesting, but the performance needed more focus.

"Edges" is a success for PEMCo as they branch out into smaller, non-traditional musicals. The directors and the cast did a great job interpreting material that doesn't have the maturation of a professional production behind it and shaped an enjoyable show.

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PEMCo. is back with new show

By ANALISE LIPARI
Scene Editor

The Pasquerilla East Musical Company is back for the 2008 season with "Edges," a song cycle production written by two graduates of the University of Michigan, Benj Pasek and Justin Paul. "Edges" marks a new venture for PEMCo, as their mainstage productions are scheduled to stage in the spring semester of each academic year. With the addition of a fall show, the students participating in PEMCo are helping to expand the arts scene at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's.

"We had a number of reasons for choosing to add a fall show to our season," Connor Nowalk, a senior producer, said in an e-mail to the Observer. "Primarily we, as a company, feel strongly about the promotion of the arts, both in general and here at Notre Dame. By providing more opportunities for performers and audience members alike, we hope to both contribute to and shape the arts scene at Notre Dame."

For those new to the ND-SMC arts landscape, PEMCo is a musical theater company that was originally founded in 1997 by Pasquerilla East resident Kelly McCann. "[McCann] organized a group of friends to perform 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat,' using a children's chorus from the South Bend Area," Nowalk said. "Interestingly enough, some of those children go [to Notre Dame] now and have performed in PEMCo shows since."

Since that first performance of "Joseph," the company has expanded its scope and its repertoire. Recent shows have included "Ragtime," the company's 2007 mainstage production, and "Kiss Me, Kate," the mainstage show performed in February of this year. For Mary McLaughlin, a fellow senior producer, "Ragtime" was an especially memorable experience. "There was a lot of controversy surrounding the show, given some of the content," McLaughlin said in an e-mail to the Observer. "We ended up holding an academic forum, where we invited several prominent African American professors and mentors to join a panel and speak about some of these issues on campus."

McLaughlin cites the forum and the show together as signs of the effect that the arts can have in campus communities. "It brought our cast very close together, and I think we really made an impact on a lot of people on campus."

This year's mainstage show will be "The Producers," one of the largest undertakings in PEMCo history. The rights to the popular Mel Brooks hit were only released recently, and, "This is one of the funniest, most popular Broadway musicals ever written," Nowalk said. "We are so thrilled to be able to perform it as our mainstage show this February. We have a lot of talent — especially young talent — and an extremely knowledgeable production staff, so this is not going to be a show you are going to want to miss."

"Edges," the latest addition to the PEMCo schedule, marks a departure for the company in some ways. "Bringing in a show like 'Edges' opens up the market for a style of musical theater which has been little performed at Notre Dame," Nowalk said. "Smaller, more intimate musicals have only recently become popular."

Nowalk cites the differences between a typical mainstage show, which is a much larger production, and a show like "Edges" as a chance to engage with a different kind of theater. "Because of the size and style of the main stage show ... we didn't really have an opportunity to tap into this new genre. We hope that through 'Edges' and future fall shows, we will be able to expose theater lovers to this wonderful new realm in the musical theater world."

McLaughlin cites the strength of the PEMCo team, particularly director Lindsay Schanzer and musical director Nicholas Shaneyfelt, as key to the strength of "Edges" as a production. "I can't say enough about Lindsay and Nicholas. Nicholas has been such a valuable member of PEMCo over the years, with his incredible musical gift, and Lindsay, only a sophomore, has already made such a tremendous mark on the company, both with her onstage talent and her gifts as a director."

It was Schanzer, McLaughlin mentions, who first approached the PEMCo team about "Edges" last year. (Schanzer) came to us with this idea last year as a freshman, and we're really happy to see her take leadership in PEMCo.

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**NCAA Football**

**Locker just wants to play**

Associated Press

**SEATTLE —** Ultimately, Jake Locker doesn't want to be a spectator.

Washington's star quarterback said Tuesday he be willing to play a different position in the coming weeks while his broken right thumb heals, as long as it's determined such a move would help the team and not risk additional injury.

"I'm definitely open to it. I'd rather be playing than sitting out on the sidelines," Locker said on Tuesday, speaking for the first time since his injury.

"Whatever it is in the best interest of this team, whether it's playing or not, I'll give it a shot.

Locker had surgery Monday on his right thumb, which he broke in the second quarter of last Saturday's 35-28 loss to Stanford, on a play where Locker was the lead blocker for a reverse that went for 27 yards.

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**Washington quarterback Jake Locker jogs off the field after the Huskies' 35-18 loss to Stanford on Sept. 27.**

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**MLB**

**Cliff Lee, Brad Lidge win comeback awards**

Associated Press

**PHILADELPHIA —** Brad Lidge has a shot to cap his perfect season with a World Series ring, Cliff Lee should be ready to clear room in the trophy case for a Cy Young Award.

First, the two pitchers received a different honor Tuesday when they were selected Comeback Players of the Year.

Lee was 22-3 with an American League-leading 2.54 ERA for the Cleveland Indians and could be their second consecutive Cy Young winner.

Lidge was a perfect 41-for-41 in save opportunities as the NL East champion Philadelphia Phillies' closer. In 2007, he converted just 19 of 27 for the Houston Astros and lost his spot as an elite closer.

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In Brief

Bengals sign former Bears first rounder Benson
CINCINNATI — Running back Cedric Benson signed Tuesday with the Cincinnati Bengals, who needed another runner and were underwhelmed by two alcohol-related arrests in Texas that prompted the Chicago Bears to let him go.

Benson will take the spot of running back DeDe Dorsey, who was placed on injured reserve Tuesday after hurting his hamstring in a 20-12 loss to Cleveland. Chris Perry is Cincinnati's starting running back.

Benson was Chicago's first-round pick in the 2005 draft out of Texas. He started 12 games for the Bears from 2005-07, running for 1,593 yards and 10 touchdowns.

He missed five games with an ankle injury last season, but had a career-high 674 yards. Benson was arrested in May on charges of battering, resisting arrest, and again in June on a drunken driving charge in Austin, Texas.

Haslett restores Bulger as Rams starting quarterback
ST. LOUIS — St. Louis Rams quarterback Marc Bulger佛ked the media last week, afraid of what he might say after getting benched by Scott Linehan.

Bulger got his job back Tuesday, the biggest development of new coach Ken Haslett's first full day in charge of the team offense last week, also broke his silence.

But he exercised care, declining several opportunities to torch his former coach Tom Cable and advance scout Paul Hackett also could be possible choices.

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In Brief

Raiders fire Kiffin after 4 games

ALAMEDA, Calif. — The Oakland Raiders fired Lane Kiffin on Tuesday just four games into his second season, ending a public feud with owner Al Davis that had been simmering since the start of the year.

The Raiders promoted offensive line coach Tom Cable to interim head coach.

Kiffin had a 5-15 record since being hired last year, losing his final game 28-18 on Sunday to San Diego.

The decision to remove Kiffin was as much about his frequent criticisms of Davis' franchise as it was the team's performance on the field. Those critiques reached a peak when Kiffin distanced himself from the defense after a blowout loss in the season opener, saying that was under coordinator Rob Ryan and Davis' control.

However, during a news conference Tuesday, Davis also criticized several of Kiffin's coaching and personnel decisions. Among other things, he said Kiffin objected to the Raiders using the first pick in the 2007 draft on quarterback JaMarcus Russell.

The raiders did not immediately announce a replacement for Kiffin, but there are plenty of candidates on staff, including Ryan and receivers coach James Lofoton, who both interviewed for the job when Kiffin got it in 2007.

Offensive coordinator Greg Knapp, running backs coach Tom Rathman, offensive line coach Tom Cable and advance scout Paul Hackett also could be possible choices.

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Associated Press

Raiders coach Lane Kiffin runs off the field after Oakland's 28-18 loss to the San Diego Chargers Sunday. Kiffin was fired by the Raiders on Tuesday after just twenty games as Oakland's head coach.

Yankees sign Cashman to 3-year extension
NEW YORK — Brian Cashman figures he has more work to do with the New York Yankees. After a sustained run of success, he wasn't about to leave on the heels of a failed season.

Cashman is staying on as general manager of the Yankees, agreeing Tuesday to a three-year contract that runs through 2013.

New York missed the playoffs this year for the first time since 1993. Cashman took over as GM in 1997 and his current deal was set to expire at the end of October.

He was expected to re-sign, espe-

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around the dial
Former IU coach rebuts allegations

Kelvin Sampson believes Indiana has it all wrong.

A day after the school accused Sampson and his staff of withholding information and concealing impermissible phone calls, the former Indiana coach rebutted those allegations Tuesday in a tersely worded one-paragraph statement sent out by his publicist, Matt Kramer.

"In no way did I ever hide or withhold information from Indiana University's compliance department. I vehemently deny the inference that I made and concealed impermissible calls," Sampson's statement said. "The NCAA has never alleged that I initiated any illegal phone calls to recruits while serving as the head coach at Indiana. I always provided Indiana with everything they requested, including all documents and phone records."

Athletic department spokesman I.J. Campbell said the university would not comment on Sampson's statement.

The back-and-forth battle of words continues the saga that started in October, when athletic director Rick Greenspan first announced the improper phone calls had been discovered during an audit of the basketball program's phone records.

Initially, the school called them secondary infractions, and Sampson forfeited a pay raise and agreed to an extension of the NCAA-imposed sanctions that followed him from Oklahoma to Indiana.

But when it became clear that Sampson had participated in three-way calls and had been connected to recruits when another coach passed the phone to players, the NCAA charged Indiana with five major violations. The NCAA said both violated the penalties imposed on Sampson from his previous phone-call scandal.

Sampson was also accused by the NCAA of providing false and misleading information to investigators, something he has repeatedly denied.

Eventually, the NCAA dropped one major count to a secondary infraction, and Indiana concurred with the NCAA's assessment on all four charges.

Then in June, Indiana got a surprise when the NCAA alleged another major violation — failure to monitor. That prompted Monday's release of the school's response, in which the university said all but four calls could not have been detected earlier because Sampson and his staff had concealed them.

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L.A. has lost 100 years of baseball excellence. Now, the city is trying to win back its place in the world of sports.
White Sox earn playoff berth with 1-0 win

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Thanks to Jim Thome's bat and Ken Griffey Jr.'s arm, the AL Central has a winner at last: the Chicago White Sox.

John Danks pitched eight innings of two-hit ball after short rest, Thome homered and Griffey threw out a runner at the plate with a tough lay by A.J. Pierzynski, helping Chicago beat the Minnesota Twins 1-0 in a 163rd-game tiebreaker for the division title Tuesday night.

The White Sox joined the cross-town Cubs in the postseason, the first time since 1906 that both Chicago teams are in.

And just like the Cubs did when they clinched the NL Central crown, several White Sox players came back on the field after the final out and sprayed fans with champagne.

Next up for the South Siders, a first-round matchup with the surprising Rays. Game 1 is Thursday at Tampa Bay, which won the AL East.

"Look at this," Thome said as the crowd roared all around him. "This is what it's all about — October baseball."

The White Sox got a huge boost Tuesday from two of their oldest players: Thome and Griffey, both longing for their first World Series appearance since 1997.

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"That's a battle between friends," Chicago manager Ozzie Guillen said, referring to the rival Twins. "We just got the last laugh."

Danks, pitching on three days' rest for the first time in his career and with just one win in his previous seven starts, held the Twins hitless through the first four innings on a 56-degree night. Cuddyer led off the fifth with a double and moved to third on Delmon Young's fly to Griffey in shallow center.

"That probably says we should be playing this game," Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire said before the game.

Griffey and Chicago bench coach Joey Cora.

The Twins endured the departures of star center fielder Torii Hunter and ace Johan Santana by using speed with younger players such as Denard Span and Carlos Gomez, sound fundamentals that are taught throughout their system and clutch hitting. Joe Mauer went 0-for-3 Tuesday night but still won his second AL batting title at .328. Justin Morneau, who drove in 129 runs, slumped in the final weeks.

The White Sox overcame late-inning injuries to surprising star Carlos Quentin, who was leading the AL in homers when he broke his right wrist by hitting it on his bat in frustration Sept. 1, and third baseman Joe Crede, who had back problems. Neither is expected back for the playoffs.

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Junior hitter Loma Slupczynski heads the Saint Mary’s offense with 192 kills on the season (3.15 kills per game), while also tallying 174 digs for the Belles. Slupczynski has emerged as a leader both on and off the court for Saint Mary’s, earning All-Tournament honors twice this season.

“Loma is putting together a fine career,” Schroeder-Biek said. “Her teammates really feed off her energy and on-court play from the outside hitter position. The opponents know she is one of our stronger players and Lorna is going to have to continue to raise her game.”

Keeping the offense running is freshman setter Dani Brink, who has emerged as a key player for Saint Mary’s after the Belles’ leading setter last year, Amanda David, graduated. Brink has accounted for over three-quarters of Saint Mary’s assists this year, totaling 387 on the season.

The match begins tonight at 7 p.m.

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Mandarich admits to steroid use at Mich St.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Former NFL draft bust Tony Mandarich says he used steroids at Michigan State and faked a drug test before the 1988 Rose Bowl.

He also said during an interview on “Inside the NFL” that will air Wednesday on Showtime that he did not use steroids in the NFL but was addicted to alcohol and painkillers.

Mandarich, whose autobiography will be released in March, said he provided a fake urine sample to evade detection before the ’88 Rose Bowl in which Michigan State beat Southern California 20-17. Mandarich said he couldn’t confirm a report that other players did the same.

The offensive lineman was the No. 2 overall pick in 1989 by the Packers. He lasted just three years with Green Bay amid rumors of steroid use.

“I got to the point where it was a struggle to work out three or four times a week because the priority of getting high was above the priority of working out,” Mandarich said in the interview.
ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Notre Dame claims top slot in Boulder

By ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writer

Monday's record-setting second round gave the Irish a healthy lead heading into Tuesday's final 18 holes, and Notre Dame took care of business to take top team honors at the Heather Farr Memorial in Boulder, Colo.

The Irish held off second-place finisher Texas Tech to win by five strokes.

Senior captain Lisa Muane and sophomore So- Hye Park led the Irish by finishing tied for fourth overall with a 2-under par 212.

Maunu finished all three rounds under par, Park shone on the 36-hole Day One, starting with a 2-under 70 in round one, followed by a school record six-under 66.

"I was happy that [Park] could get off to a good start," Irish coach Susan Holt said. "She just played really solid."

Two other Irish golfers, junior Annie Brophy and sophomore Katie Conway, have,"  Holt said. "We have could get off to a good really solid."

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"It was pretty special last year," Croat said. "Because it was right when she was going through the heart of her treatment, and it was nice to see everyone really support her." In addition to their fundraising efforts, Croat said her teammates were there for emotional support when she needed it most. "They've just been like you would want a friend to be," she said. "They've been there for me when I wanted to talk about it, and when I wanted to just forget about it." Obviously, this year's Dig for the Cure will also have a special meaning for Croal. "I think it has, obviously, that personal connection for me," she said. "It's just a fun way to give back to everybody who was so helpful and so understanding throughout what my family went through and what I went through. It's a way for those who are close to me, the coaches, my teammates, my friends, families, to just get involved that way," she said. "Just that feeling that you're contributing to something that's a lot more important than a volleyball match is a good thing, and I think that the team definitely felt that last year." Last year, Notre Dame raised over $6,000 for the Susan G. Komen grassroots network of Northern Indiana, the sixth-highest total raised by participating programs. Brown said that her team's participation was important because breast cancer such a universal issue, but also because of Croal's personal experience. "It's obviously a pretty big warm-up for the Cure," Brown said. "And being a women's team, it just seemed like it was a really good thing for us to do, but also it was hitting home a little bit closer for us as a team." Brown said that her goal was to double the $6,000 the team raised last season. As for Croal, despite her extremely personal ties to the cause, she said that at the end of the day, it was all about playing volleyball, with a little bit added incentive. "I think that once the match starts it's the same (as any other)," she said. "You always focus on the task at hand. But I think there's maybe a little bit of extra motivation just to really perform well and support that cause." Notes:

"More information on Susan G. Komen For The Cure and the Dig for the Cure program, including phone numbers, can be found at und.com.

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"Last year, as well as this year, they're coming in very strong, with a very good record," Clark said. "From our standpoint, what's happened in the past is in the past — it has nothing to do with what's going to happen. They're a very good team so far this year and I would imagine it will be a very tough game." Notre Dame's defense has been a major strength, as the Irish have only allowed 23 goals per game. But even they might have been shaving down a Wolverines attack averaging 2.30 goals per game. "It'll tell you better tomorrow," Clark said with a laugh about how his team would stop Michigan's offense. "They're an excellent team, they're scoring a lot of goals, and that's something you've obviously got to deal with... But we've got players that I think can deal with it. Just as importantly, we've got to find ways to get the ball to the net ourselves."

Notre Dame will have to rebound from Sunday's heart- breaking 2-1 overtime loss to Louisville. The Irish were whistled for a penalty kick in the final minute of regulation, which the Cardinals drilled to send the game to extra time. Limited then put home the game-winner in the 95th minute, breaking Notre Dame's seven-game unbeaten streak and snapping a 15-game Big East regular season unbeaten streak that dates back to last season. "You just have to rebound, it's as simple as that," Clark said. "With our schedule and the game we play, you have no time to sit and feel sorry for your - you've got to get on with it. From our point of view, the guys know we were a little bit unlucky, but that's soccer." (Originally scheduled for 7 p.m. on Michigan's campus in Ann Arbor, Mich., the game was moved to 4:30 p.m. at Eastern Michigan's Securian Field in Ypsilanti, Mich. Construction is ongoing for the Wolverines' new U-M Soccer Complex.

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Jim Kubinski

Irish coach

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Santo-Ormaza made headlines recently for his play at the LPGA Amateur

Golfer of the Year and NCAA West Regional, becoming the first Notre Dame

woman to qualify for match play in 35 years. Sordo was a late addition to

the tournament roster, making the squad on the back of his top-five finish

at the John Dallio Memorial last week.

Sophomores Connor Alan-Leon

and Tylicki were 22nd overall, and offshore a 12-yd touchdown pass, tying

leading to a 14-10 victory.

After another touchdown loss

before losing the ball on
down to a resilient Lions

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Playing for a cure

Senior Mallorie Croal will have extra incentive to compete for funding for breast cancer research.

By SAM WERNER

When Mallorie Croal takes the court for the Irish on Oct. 12, she’ll be taking on more than her opponent. Croal and the rest of the Irish will be trying to strike breast cancer as they take part in the Susan G. Komen Big for the Cure.

This is the second straight year Notre Dame will participate in the event, which includes college and high school volleyball programs across the country and raises money for the Susan G. Komen For The Cure fund for breast cancer research. The group has said it hopes to raise over $250,000 from this year’s Big for the Cure.

The event will have a special meaning for Croal, whose mother is a recent breast cancer survivor. After being diagnosed in Dec. 2006, Croal said her mother underwent two rounds of chemotherapy, followed by multiple surgeries and radiation treatment.

"It was about a full year of treatment," Croal said. "But she’s doing great now. She’s done with treatment, and she’s getting her hair back."

Croal said that doctors are confident her mother will make a full recovery.

Last year’s Big for the Cure, a 3-0 win over Rutgers on Oct. 6, was especially emotional for Croal and her mother, who flew out from her home in California to attend.

Senior outside hitter Mallorie Croal (2) spikes the ball during a Dec. 1, 2005 home match against Dayton.

Reclamation project turning in tangible results: wins

By BILL BRINK

There’s no way to measure how much of Notre Dame’s success this season stems from its emotion, but at 3-1, something is draining the team.

Irish coach Charlie Weis said he thought that success created more confidence in his players.

"This has been a reclamation project we have been working on," Weis said in his press conference Tuesday. "Whether it be emotion and whether it be confidence, we’ve spent a lot of time as a team, coaches and players, working on these intangibles."

Weis said younger players gain confidence quickly in light of success on the field. It was necessary, he said, to keep them from getting cocky and feeling that they can ‘show up’ and win games.

"We already know that we are not good enough to do that," Weis said. "We could lose to anybody on the schedule if we just show up."

The team can avoid trap games earlier, Weis said, because of its struggles last season.

"Every game is a new game. So you know, that’s why when we go to play against Stanford, you don’t have to say, well, they are going to feel pretty good about beating Purdue and not show up for Stanford," Weis said.

Running back Armando Allen, whose 136 yards and a touchdown against the Boilermakers have been atop the depth chart for most of the year, but showed improvement in practice, Weis said.

"We watched him in practice every single day, and all he’s done from the day he got here until now is continue to get better," Weis said. "So that’s just a matter of time and it’s just that the time finally came."

Weis said more players buy into the system now than previously. More players embrace the "Dive right in" mantra that Weis preached in the preseason, he said.

"All of those toe-in-the-water guys, there’s a lot less of them around now, and most of them have already taken a dip, and I think that’s a good thing because it kind of goes hand in hand with having some success," Weis said. "The more that you have in, the easier it ends up being."

Whether they dove in or not, the freshmen have stolen the show so far this season. Wide receiver Michael Floyd has 16 catches for 218 yards and two touchdowns, Weis said Floyd’s ability to learn the playbook helped in his development.

"He’s been picking it up pretty quick, quicker than most people would," Weis said. "Normally you would say a season, but some people just pick it up a lot faster and he happens to be one of them."

Other freshmen have made their presence known. Defensive end Ethan Johnson got his first start this week, but a defensive back Robert Blanton returned an interception for a touchdown and tight end Koyce Baldwin caught his first touchdown of his career.

ND slides into 7th as scores fall

By MICHAEL BLASCO

After leading through the first round, Notre Dame stumbled to a seventh-place finish with a 17-over 869 at the Saint Mary’s (Calif.) Invitational in Pebble Beach, Calif.

The University of San Francisco cruised to a first-place finish with a 3-over 855, five strokes over second-place finisher Wisconsin in the Saint Mary’s (California)-hosted event. USC junior Domingo Fujita claimed top individual honors with a 7-under 206.

While the Irish added...